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FOR ABRAMOWITZ AND ZURHELLEN IN SECDEF PARTY

SECDEF FOR OSD

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, JA, OVIP (SCHLESINGER, JAMES)

LITATIONS TO MEETINGS DURING SECDEF

VISIT TO TOKYO:

(A) PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIRGEN KAGAMI INVITES YOU BOTH TO BREAK-FAST MEETING AT OKURA HOTEL AT 0830 HOURS SATURDAY AUGUST 30. HE WOULD INCLUDE SENIOR MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF FOR INFORMAL DISCUSSION.

(B) JDS VICE MINISTER KUBO, DIRGEN DEFENSE BUREAU MARUYAMA, AND COUNCILOR YAMATO INVITE YOU TO MEETING FOR GENERAL DISCUSSION AT 1100 HOURS SATURDAY AUGUST 30, TO BE FOLLOWED BY LUNCH HOSTED BY KUBO.

2. WE HAVE TENTATIVELY ACCEPTED THESE PROPOSALS ON ASSUMPTION THEY WOULD NOT CLASH WITH YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN SECDEF SCHEDULE, PENDING YOUR EARLY CONFIRMATION.

3. FONOFF INFORMS US TODAY THAT DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST PARTY LEADERS ARE MOST ANXIOUS TO ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH SECRETARY SCHLESINGER DURING HIS VISIT IN TOKYO SINCE THEY HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT A CALL BY THEM ON THE SECRETARY DURING THEIR VISIT TO WASHINGTON EARLY NEXT MONTH WILL BE DIFFICULT TO WORK OUT. A BRIEF (20 MINUTE) COURTESY CALL ON SECRETARY WOULD BE POSSIBLE AFTER ARRIVAL IN TOKYO AUGUST 28, ALTHOUGH BREVITY OF VISIT AND FULL SCHEDULE MAKES IT CONFIDENTIAL

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UNDERSTANDABLE IF THE SECRETARY WERE NOT IN POSITION TO GRANT THIS

APPOINTMENT. FONOFF DOES NOT SEEM CONCERNED THAT SUCH A "SCOOP"
BY DSP MIGHT TRIGGER OTHER PRESSURES FOR POLITICAL EXPOSURE HERE;
DSP IS PREPARED TO HOLD APPOINTMENT CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL JUST BEFORE
THE EVENT. REQUEST GUIDANCE FOR RESPONSE TO FONOFF.
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